ന്നതും പഞ്ചായത്തിന്റെ അഭിപ്രായത്തെ ഉദ്ദേശിച്ചു വേറെ ഒരാളെ നോമിനേറ ചെയ്യും.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. ഭാസ്കരമേനോൻ: മേലാലെങ്കിലും ഏറ്റവും യോഗ്യതയുള്ള ആളുകളെ എടുക്കുവാൻ ദയവുണ്ടാകുമോ?

ഡോക്ടർ എ. ആർ. മേനോൻ: അതെല്ലാം നല്ലപോലെ നോക്കി ചെയ്യാം.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* May I know, Sir, whether the Christian nominated was the Panchayat President before?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes. He was.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* For how long?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I want notice.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* May I know whether he was the Panchayat President for a term of 10 years?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I want notice.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I know whether his election this time was unanimous?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. ആർ. ഇയ്യുണ്ണി: അദ്ദേഹം പഞ്ചായത്തു പ്രസിഡണ്ടായിരുന്ന കാലത്തു് പഞ്ചായത്തു വക്കീലെ മേൽയാപ്പിട്ടു നടന്നിരുന്നില്ലെ?

ഡോക്ടർ എ. ആർ. മേനോൻ: ഇല്ലെങ്കിൽ ഇങ്ങിനെയൊരു അപ്പീലിക്കേഷൻ വരുമൊ?

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* I suppose there is absolutely no objection to nominate a competent Muhammedan if one comes forward.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Not at all, Sir. In fact, I tried to find one.

PALAT ROAD—IMPROVEMENTS TO

125. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they or the Director of Panchayats are in receipt of a petition from Tolath Varied Okroo and others in Kattakampal village, Talappalli taluk on 2nd Chingam 1115, praying for the improvement of the Palat Road;

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(*b*) whether any action has been taken on that petition;

(*c*) whether the Government be pleased to include this improvement in their budget of next year?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Provision will be made according to comparative urgency and availability of funds.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* In answer to the last sub-division it is said that provision will be made according to comparative urgency and availablity of funds. May I know whether there is any hope that it will be taken up in the near future ?

Mr. President : Answers are intended to give information and not hopes.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* This work was sanctioned some years back, two or three times. It is not done yet. So, I wish to bring to the notice of the Hon'ble Minister that the Minister may take a more serious view of the matter and give a hope.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Sir, I want to explain that the Panchayat itself did not want to proceed with this work. That is the reason why it was not done. They said there is some other work which, in their opinion, is more important. I shall certainly consider this question again.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Hon'ble Minister be pleased to refer this matter again to the Panchayat ?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes. I will do so.

CORRESPONDENCE BY GOVERNMENT OR BY SUBORDINATE OFFICERS—LANGUAGE OF

126. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they are in receipt of any petition in the year 1114 from one Mr. A. L. Antony and others of Ollur and other villages.praying to the Government to issue special orders to the effect that correspondence by the Government or by the subordinate officers should always be in Malayalam instead of English;

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